

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 7048

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## AN ACT CONCERNING ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION POLICE OFFICERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 1-217 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 (a) No public agency may disclose, under the Freedom of
- 4 Information Act, the residential address of any of the following
- 5 persons:
- 6 (1) A federal court judge, federal court magistrate, judge of the
- 7 Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the state, or
- 8 family support magistrate;
- 9 (2) A sworn member of a municipal police department, [or] a sworn
- member of the Division of State Police within the Department of Public
- 11 Safety or a conservation enforcement officer or special conservation
- 12 officer appointed by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection
- 13 pursuant to section 26-5;
- 14 (3) An employee of the Department of Correction;
- 15 (4) An attorney-at-law who represents or has represented the state
- 16 in a criminal prosecution;

- 17 (5) An attorney-at-law who is or has been employed by the Public
- 18 Defender Services Division or a social worker who is employed by the
- 19 Public Defender Services Division;
- 20 (6) An inspector employed by the Division of Criminal Justice;
- 21 (7) A firefighter;
- 22 (8) An employee of the Department of Children and Families;
- 23 (9) A member or employee of the Board of Pardons and Paroles;
- 24 (10) An employee of the judicial branch; or
- 25 (11) A member or employee of the Commission on Human Rights
- 26 and Opportunities.
- 27 (b) The business address of any person described in this section
- 28 shall be subject to disclosure under section 1-210. The provisions of this
- 29 section shall not apply to Department of Motor Vehicles records
- 30 described in section 14-10.
- 31 Sec. 2. Section 1-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 32 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- The following officers may administer oaths: (1) The clerks of the
- 34 Senate, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the chairpersons
- of committees of the General Assembly or of either branch thereof,
- during its session; (2) state officers, as defined in subsection (t) of
- 37 section 9-1, judges and clerks of any court, family support magistrates,
- 38 judge trial referees, justices of the peace, commissioners of the Superior
- 39 Court, notaries public, town clerks and assistant town clerks, in all
- 40 cases where an oath may be administered, except in a case where the
- 41 law otherwise requires; (3) commissioners on insolvent estates,
- 42 auditors, arbitrators and committees, to parties and witnesses, in all
- 43 cases tried before them; (4) assessors and boards of assessment
- 44 appeals, in cases coming before them; (5) commissioners appointed by
- 45 governors of other states to take the acknowledgment of deeds, in the

discharge of their official duty; (6) the moderator of a school district meeting, in such meeting, to the clerk of such district, as required by law; (7) the first selectman, in any matter before the board of selectmen; (8) the Chief Medical Examiner, Deputy Medical Examiner and assistant medical examiners of the Office of the Medical Examiner, in any matter before them; (9) registrars of vital statistics, in any matter before them; (10) any chief inspector or inspector appointed pursuant to section 51-286; (11) registrars of voters, deputy registrars, assistant registrars, and moderators, in any matter before them; (12) special assistant registrars, in matters provided for in subsections (b) and (c) of section 9-19b and section 9-19c; (13) the Commissioner of Public Safety and any sworn member of any local police department or the Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety, in all affidavits, statements, depositions, complaints or reports made to or by any member of any local police department or said Division of State Police or any constable who is under the supervision of said commissioner or any of such officers of said Division of State Police and who is certified under the provisions of sections 7-294a to 7-294e, inclusive, and performs criminal law enforcement duties; (14) judge advocates of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps, law specialists of the United States Coast Guard, adjutants, assistant adjutants, acting adjutants and personnel adjutants, commanding officers, executive officers and officers whose rank is lieutenant commander or major, or above, of the armed forces, as defined in section 27-103, to persons serving with or in the armed forces, as defined in said section, or their spouses; (15) investigators, deputy investigators, investigative aides, secretaries, clerical assistants, social workers, social worker trainees, paralegals and certified legal interns employed by or assigned to the Public Defender Services Commission in the performance of their assigned duties; (16) bail commissioners employed by the Judicial Department in the performance of their assigned duties; (17) juvenile matter investigators employed by the Division of Criminal Justice in the performance of their assigned duties; (18) the chairperson of the Connecticut Siting Council or the chairperson's designee; (19) the presiding officer at an agency hearing

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under section 4-177b; (20) family relations counselors employed by the 81 82 Department and support enforcement officers and 83 investigators employed by the Department of Social Services Bureau of Child Support Enforcement and the Judicial Department, in the 84 performance of their assigned duties; (21) the chairperson, vice-85 chairperson, members and employees of the Board of Pardons and 86 87 Paroles, in the performance of their assigned duties; [and] (22) the 88 Commissioner of Correction or the commissioner's designee; and (23) 89 conservation enforcement officers or special conservation officers 90 appointed by the commissioner of Environmental Protection under section 26-5, with regard to affidavits, statements, depositions, 91 92 complaints or reports made to or by such officers while in the 93 performance of their assigned duties.

Sec. 3. Section 26-6 of the general statutes is amended by adding a new subsection (g) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

The commissioner may authorize a full-time (NEW) conservation officer or special conservation officer in the Division of State Environmental Conservation Police to provide law enforcement services regarding recreational boating safety that are within the scope of such officer's authority under section 26-6 to: (1) Persons at construction or related worksite on or adjacent to a public waterways, when the safety of workers at such site may be affected by boating activity, or (2) persons subject to a marine event permit under section 15-140b on or adjacent to a public waterway, when such a marine event may affect the safety of recreational boaters or where the safety of those involved in such marine event may be affected by recreational boating activity. Time spent in performance of such law enforcement services shall be in addition to the regular work hours of the workweek for such officer. Each such officer shall be compensated by the state for the performance of such services at a rate equal to one and one-half times such officer's normal hourly rate of pay. Entities engaging the department in said services shall reimburse the Department of Environmental Protection for the compensation of such officer and the costs related to the performance of such services, at a

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rate to be determined by the commissioner. Performance of such services under the provisions of this subsection shall not constitute state service for retirement purposes under the provisions of chapter 66. For the purposes of this section, "person" means person as defined in section 22a-2.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	1-217
Sec. 2	from passage	1-24
Sec. 3	from passage	26-6

**ENV** Joint Favorable Subst.